

✓ A tankless job. ✓

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Synopsis

Jerry is shown in the telegraph office of the railroad station. A message is coming over the wire in flashes reading "I love you".

Sub-title:- His sweetheart.

Next scene shows a very pretty girl in the telegraph office of the station at Pimplehurst. A message comes over her wire from Jerry saying "Hello bright eyes".

Next show a funny looking bird sitting on a telegraph wire. Flashes come over the wire reading "love", "kisses", "hugs", "sweetheart". Everytime a flash comes the bird jumps up in the air about three feet. Close-ups of Jerry and the girl telegraphing to each other should be put in between the jumps of the bird. Finally one flash comes over the wire which says, "Ootsie-wootsie." The bird closes it's eyes and says, (Balloon) "This is too much for me" and falls off the wire dead.

Jerry then receives a message over the wire saying "Demonstrate tank to Colonel Nut." Jerry scratches his head and ponders for a while and then says, (Balloon) "The only tank I know around here is in jail."

Colonel Nut comes in. He is a typical British officer with monocle and a big mustache. He says to Jerry, (Balloon) "Are you there," and Jerry says, (Balloon) "No, I haven't come in yet."

Colonel Nut then says to Jerry, (Balloon) "Where's the blooming tank." Jerry replies (Balloon) "Questions answered in the information bureau, and then walks across the room to a booth labelled "Information bureau", and climbs in. The Colonel leans his arm on the desk and puts the monocle in his eye and stares at Jerry. He then says, (Balloon) "Stop spoofing. Where's the bally motor tank." Jerry replies (Balloon) "Oh, you mean that tank on the siding." He then climbs down and goes out the door with the Colonel following him.

Next show a scene outside the station with the motor tank on a freight car. There are planks-leading down the to the ground from the freight car. Then show a close-up view of Jerry and the Colonel getting into the tank. Jerry pushes the cap off the top so that his head and the Colonel's head stick out. Jerry then pulls a lever and the tank rolls off the freight car down the incline and out of the picture.

Next show the tank going along a country road. (Movable back ground.) The Colonel looks through a telescope. Next show close-up of funny looking Jew walking along the road. The Colonel says, (Balloon) "My word, there's my tailor." Jerry says, (Balloon) "We'll press his suit for him." The tank comes up to the tailor knocks him down and flattens him out. It then comes to a trolley line and a trolley car blocks the way. The tank stops in front of the car. The motorman shakes his fist at Jerry and Jerry says (Balloon) "You don't know it but you're a very sick man. Goodbye." He then starts the tank again which knocks the car away up in the air.

The tank is still going along the road and the Colonel says, (Balloon) "We've got to climb a mountain old chap or the King won't let me buy this for the army." Jerry says, (Balloon) "We'll climb two mountains."

The next scene shows the tank going up and down mountains. Show a close-up during this trip with the tank going through clouds scaring birds etc.

They finally stop on the top of a mountain. The Colonel looks through the telescope. Show a close-up of a tall building burning. The Colonel says, (Balloon) "My word, the hotel is on fire." Jerry starts the tank and it goes along very fast until it reaches the burning hotel.

The firemen are playing water on the hotel but cannot reach the top floor window. The Colonel cries (Balloon) "Who will save my bag of treasures." Jerry says, (Balloon) "I will." He and the Colonel climb out of the tank and go to the firemen working the hose. Jerry whispers to a fireman who shuts off the water and Jerry sits on top of the hose. They then turn on the water which shoots Jerry up in the window. He goes inside and reappears at the window with a big bag on his back. He then sits on the stream of water which the fireman gradually turns off until Jerry comes down. Jerry then delivers the bag to the Colonel who is delighted. Jerry says, (Balloon) "Let's see the treasure." The Colonel opens the bag and a little bull dog jumps out. The Colonel pats the dog on the head. Jerry says, (Balloon) "So that's the treasure is it. Can it do any tricks?" The Colonel says (Balloon) "He's not afraid of anything." The dog then commences to bark at the tank. A face appears on the front of the tank which gets very frightened and jumps up and down. The dog then bites one of the front tires puncturing it. The air blows the dog a few feet up in the air. The dog then goes after the tank which turns around and runs away by itself with the dog after it. The Colonel says to Jerry (Balloon) "Now how will I ever catch that bally tank." Jerry says, (Balloon) "I'll show you" and grabs the hose and shoots it at the Colonel knocking him away up in the air. Show a scene of the Colonel flying through the air and finally landing on top of the tank which is going very fast with the dog hanging on behind. Then go back to Jerry gazing after them. He says, (Balloon) "That's what I call a tankless job" and faints. Fade out.

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